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**Second Semester M.Sc. Degree (C. B. S. S. – Supple. (One Time Mercy chance)/Imp.) Examination, April 2024  
(2017 to 2022 Admission)  
MATHEMATICS  
MAT 2C 06 : Advanced Abstract Algebra**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

## PART – A

Answer **four** questions from this Part. **Each** question carries **4** marks.

1. Show that  $\alpha = 1 + i$  is algebraic over  $\mathbb{Q}$  by finding  $f(x) \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$  such that  $f(\alpha) = 0$ .
2. Prove that an ideal  $\langle p \rangle$  in a PID is maximal if and only if  $p$  is an irreducible.
3. Let  $E$  be an algebraic extension of a field  $F$ . Prove that there exist a finite number of elements  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in E$  such that  $E = F(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$  if and only if  $E$  is a finite extension of  $F$ .
4. Prove that doubling the cube is impossible.
5. Show that for a prime  $p$ , the splitting field over  $\mathbb{Q}$  of  $x^p - 1$  is of degree  $p - 1$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .
6. If  $E$  is a finite extension of  $F$ , prove that  $[E : F]$  divides  $[E : F]$ . (4×4=16)

## PART – B

Answer **four** questions from this Part without omitting **any** Unit. **Each** question carries **16** marks.

## Unit – I

7. a) Let  $F$  be a field and let  $f(x)$  be a nonconstant polynomial in  $F[x]$ . Prove that there exist an extension field  $E$  of  $F$  and an  $\alpha \in E$  such that  $f(\alpha) = 0$ .  
b) Let  $\alpha = \sqrt{2} + i$ . Find  $\text{irr}(\alpha, \mathbb{Q})$  and  $\text{deg}(\alpha, \mathbb{Q})$  for the algebraic number  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ .

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8. a) State and prove Gauss's lemma.  
b) If  $D$  is a UFD, prove that  $D[x]$  is a UFD.
9. a) State and prove Euclidean algorithm.  
b) Prove that the norm function  $N$  hold following properties for  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{Z}[i]$ :  
i)  $N(\alpha) \geq 0$   
ii)  $N(\alpha) = 0$  if and only if  $\alpha = 0$   
iii)  $N(\alpha\beta) = N(\alpha)N(\beta)$ .

## Unit – II

10. a) If  $E$  is a finite extension field of a field  $F$  and  $K$  is a finite extension field of  $E$ , prove that  $K$  is a finite extension of  $F$  and  $[K : F] = [K : E][E : F]$ .  
b) Prove that a field  $F$  is algebraically closed if and only if every nonconstant polynomial in  $F[x]$  factors in  $F[x]$  into linear factors.  
c) Prove that  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{7}) = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{7})$ .
11. a) Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be two constructible numbers. Prove that  $\alpha + \beta$ ,  $\alpha - \beta$ ,  $\alpha\beta$  and  $\alpha/\beta$  if  $\beta \neq 0$  are constructible.  
b) Prove that trisecting an angle is impossible.
12. a) Prove that a finite field  $\text{GF}(p^n)$  of  $p^n$  elements exists for every prime power  $p^n$ .  
b) Prove that the set of all automorphisms of  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3})$  leaving  $\mathbb{Q}$  fixed is isomorphic to Klein 4-group.

## Unit – III

13. State and prove isomorphism extension theorem.
14. a) Prove that a field  $E$ , where  $F \leq E \leq \bar{F}$ , is a splitting field if and only if every automorphism of  $\bar{F}$  leaving  $F$  fixed maps  $E$  onto itself and thus induces an automorphism of  $E$  leaving  $F$  fixed.  
b) State main theorem of Galois theory.
15. a) If  $E$  is a finite extension of  $F$ , prove that  $E$  is separable over  $F$  if and only if each  $\alpha$  in  $E$  is separable over  $F$ .  
b) Prove that every finite field is perfect. (4×16=64)